

2- Lagrange interpolation. Cardinal functions,  $l_i(x) = \prod_{j=0, j \neq i}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}$

a) Compute the cardinal functions for  $x_0 = 0, x_1 = 2, x_2 = 4$

$$l_0(x) = \frac{x-2}{0-2} \cdot \frac{x-4}{0-4} = \frac{(x-2)(x-4)}{4}$$

$$l_1(x) = \frac{x-0}{2-0} \cdot \frac{x-4}{2-4} = \frac{-x(x-4)}{2}$$

$$l_2(x) = \frac{x-0}{4-0} \cdot \frac{x-2}{4-2} = \frac{x(x-2)}{8}$$

b) Verify  $\begin{cases} l_i(x_i) = 1 & \forall i = 0, \dots, n \\ l_j(x_i) = 0 & \forall i, j = 0, \dots, n \text{ with } i \neq j \end{cases}$

$$l_0(0) = \frac{(0-2)(0-4)}{4} = 1, \quad l_0(2) = \frac{(2-2)(2-4)}{4} = 0, \quad l_0(4) = \frac{(4-2)(4-4)}{4} = 0$$

$$l_1(0) = 0, \quad l_1(2) = \frac{-2(2-4)}{2} = 1, \quad l_1(4) = 0$$

$$l_2(0) = 0, \quad l_2(2) = 0, \quad l_2(4) = \frac{4(4-2)}{8} = 1$$

c) Given  $(x_i, y_i)_{i=0}^n$ , show that the interpolation polynomial is given by

$$p_n(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n y_i l_i(x)$$

•  $l_i$  is a polynomial of order  $n$

PROOF

By definition,  $l_i(x) = \prod_{j=0, j \neq i}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}$ , since  $x - x_j \neq 0$  then  $l_i$  is clearly a polynomial of order  $n$ , since we are multiplying  $n$  terms of the form  $x - a$ .

•  $p_n$  is a polynomial of order  $n$

PROOF

$p_n$  is a polynomial of order  $n$  since it is a linear combination of polynomials of order  $n$  in the  $P_n$  space.

$$p_m(x_i) = y_i \quad \forall i = 0, \dots, m$$

PROOF

$$p_m(x_i) = \sum_{j=0}^m y_j l_j(x_i) = y_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} l_j(x_i) &= 0 \quad \text{if } j \neq i \\ l_j(x_i) &= 1 \quad \text{if } i = j \end{aligned}$$

# 4- Gauss-Legendre quadrature

$G(f)$   $(-1, 1)$  with 3 nodes on  $[-1, 1]$  given by

$$x_0 = -\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} \quad x_1 = 0 \quad x_2 = +\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{5}{8} \quad \omega_1 = \frac{3}{4} \quad \omega_2 = \frac{5}{8}$$

a) Transfer to an arbitrary interval  $(a, b)$  to obtain an approximation

$$G(f)(a, b) \approx \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

We can transfer the integral using the transformation  $[-1, 1] \rightarrow [a, b]$   
 $t \mapsto \frac{b-a}{2} t + \frac{b+a}{2} = x,$

$$\text{with } \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{b-a}{2} dt$$

Which gives us the approximation:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{b-a}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f\left(\frac{b-a}{2} t + \frac{b+a}{2}\right) dt$$

$$\approx \frac{b-a}{2} \left[ \frac{5}{8} f\left(\frac{b-a}{2} \cdot \left(-\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}\right) + \frac{b+a}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{4} f\left(\frac{b+a}{2}\right) + \frac{5}{8} f\left(\frac{b-a}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} + \frac{b+a}{2}\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{b-a}{18} \left[ 5 f\left(\frac{a(1+\sqrt{3})+b(1-\sqrt{3})}{2}\right) + 8 f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + 5 f\left(\frac{a(1-\sqrt{3})+b(1+\sqrt{3})}{2}\right) \right]$$

b) What error estimate would you expect for the composite Gauss-Legendre rule  $G_m$ ?

If we compare this formula to the ones found for the Simpson Rule, Midpoint Rule and Trapezoidal Rule, we can find a pattern:

SINGLE ERROR

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx - Q(b) = \frac{(b-a)^{m+2}}{n} f^{(m)}(\xi) \text{ for some } \xi \in (a, b)$$

COMPOSITE ERROR

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx - Q_m(a, b) = \frac{(b-a) h^m}{n} f^{(m)}(\xi) \text{ for some } \xi \in (a, b)$$

Therefore, we can expect an error of

$$E(a,b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx - G_m(f)(a,b) = \frac{(b-a) h^6}{2016000} f^{(6)}(\xi), \quad \xi \in (a,b)$$

c) Assume that  $(a,b)$  is small enough so  $f^{(6)}$  is almost constant on  $(a,b)$ .  
 Derive error estimates for  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  only based on the values of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ .

If we let  $H = b - a$ , then

$$I(a,b) - G_1(a,b) \approx CH^7$$

$$I(a,b) - G_2(a,b) \approx 2C \left(\frac{H}{2}\right)^7$$

therefore

$$G_2(a,b) - G_1(a,b) \approx CH^7 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^6}\right) \Rightarrow CH^7 \approx \frac{64}{63} \frac{63}{64} (G_2(a,b) - G_1(a,b))$$

which gives us

$$E_1(a,b) = I(a,b) - G_1(a,b) \approx \boxed{\frac{64}{63} (G_2(a,b) - G_1(a,b))}$$

$$E_2(a,b) = I(a,b) - G_2(a,b) \approx \frac{64}{63} \cdot \frac{1}{64} (G_2(a,b) - G_1(a,b)) = \boxed{\frac{1}{63} (G_2(a,b) - G_1(a,b))}$$